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PRICE, \$2 PER MONTH.

Banks.

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1. The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.
2. Sums less than \$1. or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.
3. Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.
4. Interest at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.
5. Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.
6. Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.
7. Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION,
JOHN WALTER,
Acting Chief Manager.
Hongkong, June 7, 1886. 754

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.
PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$7,500,000
RESERVE FUND, \$4,500,000
RESERVE FOR EQUALIZATION, \$200,000
OF DIVIDENDS, \$7,500,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS, \$7,500,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman—A. MURPHY, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—M. GEORGE, Esq.
Hon. J. BELL IRVING, Esq.
Hon. D. BORTOLUZZI, Esq.
Hon. W. H. F. DAWBY, Esq.
Hon. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq.
Hon. P. D. SASSOON, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGERS.
Hongkong—THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.
Acting Chief Manager—JOHN WALTER, Esq.
MANAGERS.
Shanghai—EVERETT JACKSON, Esq.
LONDON MANAGERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANK.

HONGKONG.
Interest Allowed.
On Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
On bills granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

JOHN WALTER,
Acting Chief Manager.
Hongkong, August 28, 1886. 947

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

WE have authorized Mr. ED. MILLER to SIGN BILLS OF LADING in our Name from this date.

SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, November 29, 1886. 2274

NOTICE.

DR. R. H. KIMBALL will TAKE CHARGE of his MEDICAL PRACTICE in Hongkong until further Notice.

H. H. WINN.
16, BANK BUILDINGS,
Hongkong, December 20, 1886. 2420

Intimations.

GRIFFITH'S
NEW VIEWS OF HONGKONG
ARE
NOW READY,
1, DUNDRELL STREET.

GRIFFITH & Co.,
MANUFACTURERS
OF THE

LONDON-ERATED WATERS,
1, DUNDRELL STREET,
Continue to Supply:
SODA WATER, LEMONADE,
TARTS, GINGERBREAD,
SWEETS, RASPBERRYADE,
&c., &c., &c.

At the same Moderate Charges.
Hongkong, June 9, 1885. 957

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS
COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd Inst. until the 7th Proximo, both days inclusive.

F. W. CROSS,
Manager.
Hongkong, December 17, 1886. 2395

WASHING BOOKS.
(In English and Chinese.)
WASHMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, can now be had at this Office. Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

IN consequence of MONDAY, the 27th Instant, being a HOLIDAY, applications for the DEBENTURE BONDS of the HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, will be RECEIVED until 4 p.m. on TUESDAY, the 28th Instant.

By Order,
LOUIS HAUSCHILD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, December 23, 1886. 2443

TENDERS are INVITED for the SUPPLY of One JUNK with STEAM PROPPELLER for Navigation on the Upper Red River, Tonkin.

The proposed contract with descriptions, specification, etc., etc., and also a model of the Junk are kept at the FRENCH CONSULATE, where further Particulars can be obtained by parties wishing to tender.

J. RIGAREAU,
Acting Consul for France.
December 15th, 1886. 2384

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

IN accordance with Section 120 of the Articles of Association, the General Agents, with approval of the Consulting Committee, will on the 1st JANUARY, 1887, issue INTEREST WARRANTS of \$5 per SHARE, Payable at the HONGKONG and SHANGHAI BANK, the same being at the Rate of 10 per cent. per Annum on the Paid-up Capital of the Office for the year 1886, and Notice is hereby given that in Order that the same may be adjusted, the Transfer BOOKS of the Office will be CLOSED from the 15th to the 31st Instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHERSON & Co.,
General Agents,
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.
Hongkong, December 15, 1886. 2386

DENTISTRY.

FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP.
MODERATE FEES.

MR. WONG TAI-FONG,
Surgeon Dentist.
(FORMERLY ARTICLED APPRENTICE AND LATERLY ASSISTANT TO DR. ROGERS.)

At the urgent request of his European and American patients and friends, has TAKEN THE OFFICE formerly occupied by Dr. ROGERS.

No. 2, DUNDRELL STREET.

CONSULTATION FREE.

Discount to missionaries and families.
Sole Address
2, DUNDRELL STREET,
(Next to the New Oriental Bank.)
Hongkong, January 12, 1885. 66

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON
WHARF, GODOWN AND CARGO-
BOAT COMPANY.

THE Company will receive STEAMERS and SAILING VESSELS alongside their Wharves at Kowloon, and Land, Re-shipping, and/or Store General CARGOES, SIK, OPIUM, COTTON, GRAIN or MERCHANDISE in First-Class Godowns at Cheap Rates.

Also Coal in specially constructed Sheds. For the convenience of Customers and Shippers the Company's launch Hongkong will convey to and from those interested FREE OF CHARGE, starting from the Pedder's Wharf every hour from 5 a.m. to 5 p.m., and from the Wharf at Kowloon at the half-hour.

For further Particulars, apply to
W. KERFOOT HUGHES,
Pedder's Street.
Hongkong, February 17, 1886. 331

NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK
COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS and ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in the Harbour, NONE of the Company's FOREMEN should be at hand, Orders for REPAIRS if sent to the Head Office, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the Event of Complaints being found necessary, Communication with the Under-Signed is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, August 25, 1885. 1458

CHRISTMAS 1886.

THE Undersigned is now prepared to SUPPLY CHRISTMAS CAKES of the Best Quality weighing from 1lb to 10lbs ready on hand, and also MINCE PIES, ASSORTED CAKES, &c., &c.

D. NOWROJEE.
Hongkong, December 21, 1886. 2431

KUHN & Co.'s
JAPANESE ART TREASURES
will shortly be
EXHIBITED
in Hongkong at the
NEW PREMISES

IN
BANK BUILDINGS, opposite the HONGKONG
HOTEL.
Hongkong, December 14, 1886. 2376

NOW READY.

THE REVENUE OF CHINA.
A SERIES OF ARTICLES,
Reprinted from 'The China Mail'.
With AN APPENDIX.

THE PAMPHLET is Now Ready, and may be had at the Office of this Paper, Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s, Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, and Mr. W. BAKER.

Price, 60 Cents.

Business Notices.

Christmas Cheer!!

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

HAVE RECEIVED A NEW STOCK OF
OILMAN'S STORES
—AND—
HOUSEHOLD GROCERIES,

including the following
SEASONABLE DELICACIES:—

SOUPS:—Real Turtle, Mulligatawny, Ox-tail, Giblet, Clam Chowder, Soup and Bouilli, Hotch Potch, &c., &c.
FISH:—Sardines in Oil, Citron, Tomatoes, and Butter; Whitebait, Trout, Anchovies, Tunny Fish, Orzlers, Tamarind Fish, Macassar Red Fish, Harango and Magreux au vin Blanc, Filchards, Salmon Cutlets, Salmon Kippers, &c., &c.
PATENT PRESERVED LARD.

GAME AND PATIES:—Galantine of Game, Boar's Head, Wild Duck, Pate de Foies Gras, assorted Game and English Patties, Rabbit and Onions, French Patis, Grouse, Truffled Chicken in Jelly.

TONGUES:—Smoked, Collared, Plain, Lunch, Spiced, Paysandu, Pig's, Russian Ox, SUNDRIES:—Apple Sauce, Brown, Essence, Fig's, Fruit, Sage-and-Onion Stuffing, Trippe, Potatoes, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Raisins, Spices, Currants, Chutnies, French and English Vegetables, Black Lancashire Mushrooms, Pickles, Tabasco Sauce, Flavoured Jellies, Salad Cream, French Vinegar, French Mustard, Stuffed Olives, Westphalia Sauages, Lyons' Sausages, Boar's Suffolk Bacon, &c., &c.

DESSERT FRUITS:—Fruits in Syrup, Noyseau and Brandy; Crystallized French Plums, Jordan Almonds, Orange, Lemon and Vanilla Creams, Cutting's Dessert Fruits.

NEW SEASON'S MUSCATELS, SMYRNA FIGS AND ELVAS PLUMS.
NUTS:—ALMONDS IN SHELL, BRAZIL, AND BARCELONA.
PLUM PUDDINGS AND MINCEMEAT.

HUNTLEY AND PALMER'S CHRISTMAS CAKES.
FINEST SELECTED YORK HAMS.
HUNTLEY AND PALMER'S 'CHRISTMAS' AND ASSORTED BISCUITS.

FRENCH AND ENGLISH CONFECTIONERY!
FANCY CHOCOLATES AND CHOCOLATE CREAMS.

BON-BONS.
ALSO,
WINES AND SPIRITS,
All First Class Brands,
(for Details see December Wine List).

CHAMPAGNE:—AYALA & Co.'s—(L. & Co. assert this to be the Finest Brand of Champagne imported into Hongkong).—Quarts, \$21.00, Pints, \$23.00.
SHERRIES:—SACONNE & CUTLER PALMER & Co.'s.
CLARETS:—L. & Co.'s, and AUST Seward & Co.'s.
PORTS:—CUTLER PALMER & Co.'s, and L. & Co.'s own 'Red Seal'.
BURGUNDIES:—AUST Seward & Co.'s & CUTLER PALMER & Co.'s.
ROCKS:—CUTLER PALMER & Co.'s, and Californian.

BRANDIES:—Benedictine, Cognac, Brandy, & L. & Co.'s.
WHISKIES:—L. & Co.'s 'Special Blend', T. G. Taylor's Highland Cream, Napier Johnstone's, Bullough Laid's, Duval's, The Carlton, and Kellars' Old Rye.
RUM:—Demerara and Old Jamaica.
GIN:—Swains Board's Old Tom and Van Hoboken's Geneva.

ALE and PORTER:—(L. & Co.'s special agencies) Foster's and Bulldog Brands of Bass's Ale and Guinness's Stout, and Clausen's Champagne Lager Beer.
BITTERS:—Angostura, Boker's, Orange, Chiratta, Bitter.
LIQUORS:—Benedictine D.O.M. (especially recommended), Chartreuse, Cachaça, Maraschino, Noyseau, Cherry Brandy, Ginger Brandy.

VERMOUTH:—Torino (L. & Co. special agents) and Nolly Prat's French.
CIGARS.

L. & Co. confidently recommend their special make of Cigars 'THE MANILA' as being the best possible brand of Manila Cigars procurable; they are made of pure Tabaco and Cagayan Tobacco and contain no favouring oils or adulteration. The immense quantity sold since this Cigar was first introduced by L. & Co. speaks for its great appreciation by all smokers here and at home.

SEE OTHER ADVERTISEMENTS IN THE LOCAL PAPERS.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, December 20, 1886. 2419

ROBERT LANG & Co.,
Tailors, Hatters, Shirtmakers & General Outfitters,
QUEEN'S ROAD (OPPOSITE HONGKONG HOTEL).

ARE SHOWING
A CHOICE SELECTION OF
OVER COATINGS,
to which they INVITE the attention of
their Customers.

SPECIALTY
Superfine Black Cloth Dress Suit,
\$30.00.
Hongkong, December 1, 1886. 2233

W. POWELL & Co.
CHRISTMAS 1886.
W. POWELL & Co. respectfully call attention to their Large and EXTENSIVE STOCK of
Toys! Toys!! Toys!!!
TOYS of every description suitable for BOYS and GIRLS.
Over 300 DOLLS to select from.
Special advantages offered to Purchasers of \$10.00 worth.
CHRISTMAS TREE parcels \$10.00, \$15.00, \$20.00, \$25.00 made up and numbered in 24 hours' notice.
W. POWELL & Co.
Hongkong, December 15, 1886. 2376

Victoria Hotel,
Praya and Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

THIS Extensive and well-appointed Establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour and within five minutes' walk of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c., has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal Hotels in the place.

The ROOMS are spacious, well ventilated and have just been refurnished in a most comfortable and handsome manner, suited to the requirements of the Far East. The Accommodation and Service of every kind will be found to be of the best description. An ample and varied TABLE D'HOTE is always provided and served in the spacious, large DINING HALL.

THE HOTEL also contains handsome and comfortable Reception, Reading, Billiard and Smoking Rooms.
The HOTEL is unsurpassed for comfort, convenience and quick service.
Conventional languages are spoken.
Messrs. DORABEE & HING KEE,
Proprietors.
Hongkong, September 16, 1885. 1312

Business Notices.

THE BON MARCHE.

(CHEAP MARKET).
ADJOINING THE STAG HOTEL (Next Door).
CONSISTING OF A STOCK OF FANCY AND USEFUL ARTICLES,
At Cash Prices and for Cash only.
WATCHES,
MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS,
ALBUMS,
KNIVES,
CUTLERY,
LEATHER GOODS,
CLOCKS, and a varied Stock of Fancy GOODS of all kinds.
BON MARCHE, next door to THE STAG HOTEL.
Hongkong, September 8, 1886. 1739

KELLY & WALSH, LD.,
HAVE RECEIVED
CHRISTMAS NUMBER 'ILLUSTRATED NEWS', containing a complete Novel by Bret Harte, entitled 'A Millionaire of Rong and Ready', and large coloured Picture 'Little Miss Muffet'.
XMAS NUMBER 'GRAPHIC', containing a complete Novel by David Christie Murray, entitled 'Bull Dog and Butcher', and large coloured Picture 'Yokela, Tally Ho'.
XMAS No. ILLUSTRATED SPORTING AND DRAMATIC NEWS.
ILLUSTRATED LONDON NEWS ALMANACK 1887.
IMPERIAL ENGLISH AND CHINESE DIARY 1887; Foolscap size, 3 days to a page, interleaved with Blotting Paper, containing Customs Tariff for China, Postal Information, E. B. A. & O. T. Co.'s, and G. N. Co.'s Telegraph Rates, Chinese Holidays, and Festivals, Wages Table in Dollars and Taels—Price, \$1.
IMPERIAL ENGLISH AND CHINESE DATE BLOCK 1887, superimposed in got-up and legibility all Anglo-Chinese Date Books, previously issued—Price, 75 Cents.

LET'S DIARIES AND DATE BLOCKS.
Boys' OWN ANNUAL—Girls' OWN ANNUAL—EVERY Boy's MAGAZINE—EVERY Girl's MAGAZINE—HARPER'S YOUNG PEOPLE—CHATTERBOX—Children's FRIEND—Infant's MAGAZINE—LITTLE WIDE AWAKE, and all the best Children's VOLUMES for the Year.
KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED, HONGKONG. 2333

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on
THURSDAY,
the 30th December, 1886, at 11 a.m., at the HONGKONG LAUNDRY COMPANY'S Premises, Bowrington,—
(For Account of whom it may Concern),
A QUANTITY OF
FIFTEEN, TABLES, BLANKETING, FELTING, CANVAS HOSE, BELTING, PUMPS, FAIRBANK SCALES, FIRE EXTINGUISHERS, STEAM and GAS PIPING, IRON TANKS, CASKS, SET of Taps and Dies, DRILL, WOOD, IRON WARE, LONDON MOTTLED SOAP, &c., &c.

Also,
A QUANTITY OF
OFFICE FURNITURE, including a MILNER'S PATENT IRON SAFE, STATIONERY, &c.

TERMS OF SALE:—Cash on delivery.
G. R. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, December 23, 1886. 2441

Shipping.

THE GIBB LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SYDNEY (DIRECT) AND
MELBOURNE.
(Taking through Cargo for ADELAIDE, TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND, &c.)
The British Steamer
Cairnmore,
Capt. Thompson, will be
despatched as above at
Daylight on FRIDAY, the 31st Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 21, 1886. 2429

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.
(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEW-CHANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSE.)
The Co.'s Steamship
Patrocks,
Capt. Thompson, will be
despatched as above on
SATURDAY, the 1st January.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 21, 1886. 2427

Sailing Vessels.

FOR NEW YORK.
The 3/3 L.L.L. Amor. Schooner
Harroline,
Capt. Thompson, will load here
for the above Port, and will
have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, December 6, 1886. 2321

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The 3/3 L.L.L. American Ship
Harroline,
Capt. Thompson, will load here
for the above Port, and will
have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, December 4, 1886. 2310

TO LET.

WITH immediate occupation the Commodious PREMISES known as the P. & O. OFFICES, lately in the occupation of the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
For further Particulars, apply to the Undersigned.
E. L. WOODIN,
Acting Superintendent.
Hongkong, November 22, 1886. 2230

TO LET.

ROOMS in 'COLLEGE CHAMBERS',
No. 16, HOLLYWOOD ROAD.
Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, December 3, 1886. 632

TO LET.

AN OFFICE on the 1st Floor of No. 43, Queen's Road Central.
Apply to
DENNIS & MOSSOP,
Solicitors,
43, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, December 22, 1886. 2435

TO BE LET.

A HOUSE in JOHNSON TERRACE.
Apply to
JOHN WILLMOTT,
Hongkong Dispensary.
Hongkong, December 23, 1886. 2410

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL.
HONGKONG AMATEUR
DRAMATIC CLUB.

THE SECOND PERFORMANCE
OF THE SEASON
will take place
ON
THURSDAY,
the 30th December, 1886, at 9 p.m.,
When will be performed
A MUSICAL SKETCH,
by
GEO. GROSSMITH, JUNR.,
entitled:
'CUPS AND SAUCERS,'
AND
A COMBETTA IN TWO ACTS,
by
J. MADDISON MORTON,
entitled:
'OUR WIFE.'

Tickets may be obtained from Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., on and after Friday, 24th December, at 9 a.m.
H. M. THOMSETT,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, December 20, 1886. 2422

Prospectus.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

ISSUE of \$200,000 Seven Dollars per Cent. MORTGAGE DEBENTURES of \$500 each, to be paid off on the 31st day of December, 1891.

Applications are invited for \$200,000 in \$7 per cent Mortgage Debentures of \$500 each. These Debentures are issued in order to repay the money temporarily borrowed by the Company for the purchase of the property presently mentioned.

The Company are doing a large and increasing business as Hotel Keepers and require an extension of their premises. They have accordingly agreed to purchase the block of buildings situated on the Praya, in the occupation of Messrs. Melchers & Co., and registered in the Land Office as the Remaining Portion of Marine Lot No. 7, for the price of \$102,000. The property measures on the North 108 feet 6 inches or thereabouts, on the South 144 feet or thereabouts, on the East 15 feet or thereabouts and on the West 175 feet or thereabouts, and it is intended to erect without delay on the said premises a new wing for the Hotel at an estimated cost of not less than \$40,000.

The land will be secured by a first charge on the said property, which, by a lease dated the 31st December, 1881, was demised to Mr. F. W. Rottiers for five years from that date at the annual Rental of \$10,000, the Lessee paying in addition rates and taxes.

The Debentures will be issued at a premium of \$5 per cent. on the face value of \$500 each made payable to bearer and carrying interest from the 1st day of January 1887 at the rate of 7 per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st day of March, the 30th day of June, the 30th day of September and the 31st day of December.

In case of non-payment by any applicant of the balance due on allotment the Company may forfeit the deposit and cancel the allotment, or may charge interest on the balance due at the rate of Eight Dollars per centum per annum until payment.

The necessary Application Forms can be obtained from the Company's Secretary, or at the Hongkong Hotel.

Applications, to be accompanied with Bankers' Receipts for Deposit, will be received by the Secretary up to 4 p.m. on the 28th December, 1886.

The form and conditions of the Debentures can be seen at the Hotel and at the Office of Messrs. WATSON and DEACON, the Company's Solicitors.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
L. HAUSCHILD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 6th December, 1886. 2325

Notices to Consignees.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship Oler, Capt. PFEIFFER, having arrived from the above Port, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send their Bills of Lading for counter-signature by the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

No Claims impeding her discharge will be allowed in the Godowns of the Kowloon Free & General Co., and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining after the 31st Instant will be subject to rent.

A broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on THURSDAY, the 30th Instant, at 4 p.m.

Any Claims must reach us before the 31st Instant, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 24, 1886. 2446

10-day's Advertisements.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship
Anchuta,
Captain LAFAGE, will be
despatched as above on
SATURDAY, the 1st January.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 27, 1886. 2451

STEAMSHIP YANGTSE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.

**COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.**

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANÇAIS.

The Co.'s Steamship
Le Commandant Lemaire,
will be despatched for
SHANGHAI TO-DAY, the 27th Inst.
at 2 p. m.

**G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.**

Hongkong, December 27, 1886. 2456

NOTICE.

MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANÇAIS.

 The Co.'s Steamship
Menzies,
Commandant *BENOIST*
will be despatched for
KOBE and YOKOHAMA on
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, December 27, 1886. 245


OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.


FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.

*(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates
for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEW-
CHANG, TIENSTIN, HANKOW and
Ports on the YANGTSE.)*

 The Co.'s Steamship
Prian,
Captain *BORLEN*, will be
despatched as above at
Daylight TO-MORROW, the 28th Instant
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 27, 1886. 244

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY

FOR AMOY AND TAIWANFOO.

 The Co.'s Steamship
Formosa,
 Captain HARRIS, will
 be despatched for the above
 Ports **TO-MORROW**, the 23rd Instant, at
 3 p.m.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
 General Managers.
 Hongkong, December 37, 1886. 244

**DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
 LIMITED.**
FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW.

 The Co.'s Steamship
Haiphong,
 Capt. S. ARSTON, will be
 despatched for the above
 Ports on **WEDNESDAY**, the 19th Inst.,
 Daylight.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, December 27, 1886. 242

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.

The Co.'s Steamship
"The *Manila*"
Capt. MCASLIN, will
be despatched for the above
Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 29th Inst.,
5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
General Managers.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE
ITALIANA
 (FLORIO & REBATTINO UNITED COMPANIES)
 —
STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, BOMBAY,
ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID,
MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN,
AND GENOA.
 (Taking Cargo at through rates to MADRAS,
 PERSIAN GULF, BAGDAD, to MADRAS,
 BOMBAY, ADMUTIC and LEVANTINE
 PORTS: ALEXANDRIA, ODESSA, MALTA,
 SEVILLE, and also to BREMEN AFTER
 MONTEVIDEO, VALPARAISO and CALLAO.)
 The Co.'s Steamship
Bornida,
 Capt. **PIREZELLO**, will
 be despatched as above
 or about the 10th January.
 The Steamers have good Accommodation
 for Passengers and carries a Doctor
 and Stewards.
 For further Particulars regarding Freight
 and Passage, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, December 27, 1896.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNMENTS of Cargo from London, Antwerp, Havre and Bordeaux, ex *Labourdonnais* and *Eurydam* de *Pergues*, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Godowns with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Original Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon To-day (Sunday), requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Cargo remaining unclaimed after Monday, the 3rd January, 1887, at Noon, will be subject to rent.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before WEDNESDAY, the 5th January, 1887, or they will not be recognised.

No Firs Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,

the 31st December, 1886, at 2 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,—

AN ASSORTMENT OF

J A P A N E S E W A R E ,

comprising:—

SATSUMA, KANGA, IMARY, KIOTO, and TOKIO VASES, JARNS, BOWLS, INCENSE BURNERS, ENAMELLED WARE, EGGSHELL WARE, GOLD and SILVER PLATED CHINA, PAINTS, EMBROIDERIES and EMBROIDERED SCREENS.

Also,

C A S H M E R E G O O D S ,

comprising:—

SHAWLS, CLOAKS and MANTLETS.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

December 24, 1886 :—

Marie, German steamer, 704, J. Hohlmann, Haiphong via Hoihow, December 22, General.—WILKES & Co.

December 25 :—

Amazona, French steamer, 2,124, O. Bonnefoy, Shanghai December 23, Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Kwang Lee, Chinese steamer, from Whampoa.

Pelemetach, British steamer, 1,421, Henry Jones, Liverpool and Singapore December 16, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Menzob, French str., 1,273, C. Benoit, Yokohama December 18, Mails & General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Oregon, American ship, 1,383, J. H. Marmour, San Francisco November 4, Floor.—CAPTAIN.

Haiphong, British str., 1,122, S. Ashton, Poohow December 22, Amoy 23, and Swatow 24, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO.

Formosa, British steamer, 674, H. C. A. Harris, Taiwanfo December 23, and Amoy 24, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO.

— *German* *Steamer*, 2,711 T. A. Christiansen, Amoy December 24, General. — E. MEYER & Co.
 December 26: —
Yangtze, French steamer, 2,371, Lormier, Marseilles November 19, P. Fort Said, Suez, Aden, Colombo, Singapore December 18, and Saigon 22, Mails and General. — MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
Priam, British steamer, 1,404, S. H. Butler, Liverpool and Singapore December 10, General. — BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Actis, Danish steamer, 356, N. C. Ryevbeck, Haiphong December 22, and Hoihow 24, General. — ARNOLD, KARBEE & Co.

Scholler, Amoy December 26, General.—
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. —
Signal, German steamer, 385, T. Bruhn,
Palhoi and Hoihow December 24, General.—
—STREMSSEN & Co. —
Toornet, Chinese steamer, 1,232, R. O.
Marsden, Shanghai December 23, General.—
—C. M. S. N. Co. —
December 27. —
Deuteros, German s'eamer, 1,192, A. E.
Lutjens, Saigon December 19, Rice and
General.—STREMSSEN & Co. —
Pandora, Austro-Hungarian str., 1,781,
Mors, Petar, Trieste November 6, and Sin-

LYOY & S. N. Co.
Tietoi, British steamer, 1,340, W. C. Nibbel, Saigon December 18, Rico and Paddy.—ADAMSON, BZIL & Co.,
Olympia, German steamer, 783, P. Moller, Bangkok December 14, General.—STRANSEN & Co.
 DEPARTURES,
 December 25 —
Anton, for Hoihow and Pakhoi.
Jehuan, for Hoihow and Pakhoi.
Salto, for Haiphong.
Ulysses, for Singapore and London.

Kut Sang, for Whampoa.
Loire Inferieure, for Haiphong.
Stratheden, for Saigon.
December 27 :—
Telamachus, for Amey and Shanghai.
Toc-nan, for Whampoa.
Welle, for Hoehow and Pakhei.
Actira, for Chefoo.
Kwang Lee, for Shanghai.
Protos, for Saigon.
Oder, for Europe.
Bantam, for Saigon and Singapore.

CLEARED.
None.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
 Por Telemachus, from Liverpool, 20.
 Miss Lee, and 60 Chinese for Hongkong;
 Mrs. Macfarlane, and 4 children, Miss
 Branton, and Miss Harding, for Shanghai.
 Por Amoy, from Shanghai, for Hong-
 kong, Messrs J. Morrison, Gabron, and
 Passantino, and 58 Chinese; for Marseilles,
 Mr. Playfair (British Consul), and Mrs.
 Playfair, Messrs. Royner and P. Hey-
 naud, Mr. Patro, Capt. Ch. Bruce, and Mr.
 M. Giron.

Por Marseilles, from Hongkong, for Yokohama,
 3 Chinese; from Kobe, Mr. Horace
 Davies, Mr. Tokitohi, and 2 Chinese.
 Por Yokohama, from Hongkong, for Mar-
 seilles, Mr. C. D. Bostley, Mr. and Mrs.
 Sharp, Mr. S. Poseneker, and 3 children,
 Mr. and Mrs. Poseneker, and 2 children, Mr. and Mrs.
 Silvano, and child, Mr. Fleming, Capt.
 Dejardin, Mrs. Dejardin, child, from Colo-
 rado, Messrs. Atcock and James, from Singapore,
 Messrs. McIntyre, H. Gibson, Sterling, J.
 Androw, and Mr. Poseneker's aunt; from
 Saigon, Messrs. Abouneel and Balanoka,
 and 51 Chinese.—Por Shanghai, from
 Marseilles, Mr. and Mrs. Tudor Davies,
 Messrs. 4 Sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Suen-
 son, and 3 children, Mr. and Mrs. Rugey,
 and Mr. Tournier.—Por Hongkong, from
 Marseilles, Mr. Honger.—Por Yokohama,
 from Marseilles, Messrs. E. Wai and
 Buech.

Por Amoy, from Taiwan and Amoy,
 4 Chinese.
 Por Amoy, from London and Singapore,
 Mr. Smith and 240 Chinese.
 Por Amoy, from Hongkong and Hoihow,
 22 Chinese.

Por Amoy, from Amoy, one European
 and 150 Chinese.
 Por Amoy, from Bangkok, 12 Chinese.
 Por Amoy, from Saigon, 14 Chinese.
 Por Amoy, from Yokohama, 5 Chinese.
 Por Amoy, from Shanghai, 58 Chi-
 nese.

Por Amoy, from Hongkong, 47 Chinese.
 Por Amoy, from Canton, Port, Messrs.
 Muir, Muir, Layton, Vanin, Passmore,
 Capt. P. Ashby, and Mrs. Manson, and 90
 Chinese.

Por Amoy, from Saigon, 60 Chinese.
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Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
 Owners will be responsible for
 any Debt contracted by the Officers or
 Crew of the following Vessels, during
 their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

ADOLPH, German brig, Captain John
 Focke.—S. Hellness & Co.
 ARLIS, British 3-masted schooner, Capt.
 B. Bright.—Master.
 ELSE, German brig, Capt. E. Schwartz.
 WILSON & Co.

ESSE, South American ship, Capt. J. T.
 Sonie.—Master.
 FRED. P. LITCHFIELD, Am. barque, Capt.
 O. O. Young.—Gonsalves & Co.
 HAROLDINE, Am. 4-m. schooner, Capt.
 S. R. Tibbatts.—Russell & Co.
 HILDA, British schooner, Capt. O. Olio.
 Hesperia, 17; Bellona, 21.

INDEPENDENT, British barque, Capt. James
 Hayes.—Master.
 JOHN THANEY, British ship, Capt. Thos.
 Ryan.—Messageries Maritimes.
 SARAH HUNTER, American ship, Capt. A.
 Morgan.—Ed. Schellhas & Co.
 TEXAN, American ship, Captain C. H.
 Allen.—W. Legge.

VENTURA, Spanish barque, Captain R.
 Estival.—Remedios & Co.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight.—P. M. leaves for S'hai, &c.
 Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of
 Call and Europe.

3 p.m.—Formosa leaves for Amoy, &c.

Miscellaneous.

Applications for Mortgage Debitures of
 The Hongkong Mail Company, Ltd.,
 received until 4 p.m.

General Memoranda.

Wednesday, December 29.—
 9 p.m.—Meeting of Zetland Lodge.

Thursday, December 30.—
 11 a.m.—Auction of Sundries at H.K.
 Landry Co's premises, Bowrington.

9 p.m.—A. D. C. Performance at City
 Hall.

Friday, December 31.—
 2 p.m.—Auction of Japanese Ware, &c.,
 at Mr. J. M. Armstrong's.

Applications for Shares of The Hongkong
 and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.,
 Ltd., received until this date.

Goods per Order delivered after this
 date subject to rent.

Saturday, (New Year's Day), 1887.—
 Insurance Offices close.
 Issue Interest Warrants of \$5 per Share
 of Canton Ins. Office, Ltd., payable at
 H. K. & S'hai Bank.

Monday, January 3.—
 Goods per Steamer Yangtze unclaimed
 after Noon subject to rent.

Wednesday, January 5.—
 Noon.—Auction of British S.S. Partridge
 on Board.

A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.,
 ARE NOW SHOWING
 THEIR SEASON'S SUPPLY
 OF XMAS CONFECTIONERY
 AND
 FANCY GOODS.

Also,
 A Small Assortment of the Latest
 CHRISTMAS CARDS.

NEW PERFUMES,
 NEW SWEETS,
 CUT GLASS BOTTLES,
 GLOVE AND HANDBAGGERS,
 BASKETS OF CONFECTIONERY,
 CRYSTALLIZED FRUITS,
 CRACKERS,
 &c., &c., &c.

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited,
 THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
 Hongkong, December 23, 1886. 2436

The publication of this issue commenced
 at 1.35 p.m.

DEATH.
 At 8, Nanjing Road, Shanghai, on the
 21st December, 1886, THOMAS RUSSELL,
 Manager of the Marine Engineers' Insti-
 tute, aged 39 years.

The China Mail.
 HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1886.

TELEGRAMS.
 [SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL"]
 (Via Southern Line.)

RANDOLPH CHURCHILL OFF THE
 WAR PATH.

London, Dec. 22.
 The Chancellor of the Exchequer has re-
 signed, declining to embody in the Budget
 the Admiralty and Army estimates, which
 he considers excessive and not required.

WONDERS WILL NEVER CEASE.
 London, Dec. 23.
 The Times, in a leading article, announces
 that Lord Salisbury has offered Lord
 Hartington the Premiership, or a seat in the
 Cabinet, with the leadership of the House
 of Commons.

[From 'Le Courrier de Haiphong']
 Paris, December 11.
 The following is a complete list of the
 new French Ministry. The Ministry is
 formed under the presidency of M. Goblet,
 former Minister of Education and Public
 Worship. The other Ministers are:—

M. Florentin, Minister of Foreign Affairs,
 M. Dauphin, Minister of Finance,
 M. Sarrasin, Minister of Justice,
 M. Berthelot, Minister of the Interior,
 General Boulanger, Minister of War,
 Admiral Aube, Minister of Marine,
 M. Milhaud, Minister of Public Works,
 M. Lockroy, Minister of Commerce,
 M. Deville, Minister of Agriculture,
 M. Granet, Minister of Posts and Tele-
 graphs.

The Administration of Public Worship is
 attached to the Ministry of the Interior.

The Cabinet has announced before Par-
 liament that as the budget for 1887 cannot
 be voted by the two Chambers before the
 end of the year, the Ministry will ask for a
 provisional vote for the first months of the
 year. It would also present diverse projects
 of reform to the Parliament.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

OUTWARD BOUND.—Dagdale, Oct. 26; Pas-
 senger, 20; Baggage, 30; Japan, Glen-
 dora, Dec. 7; Carthaginians, Devotion,
 14; Cyclops, Dardanus, Albany, Mosser,
 17; Bellona, 21.

HOMEWARD BOUND.—Port Adelaide, No-
 vember 20; Harter, 30; Benesse,
 Agave, Antonio, Dec. 3; Agave,
 Glenfulas, 7; Dardanus, 14; Hesperia,
 Orion, 17; Bellona, 21.

The S. S. Malak, with the English Mail,
 of Nov. 23th, left Singapore on Thurs-
 day, the 23rd instant, at 5 p.m., and
 may be expected here on or about
 Wednesday, the 29th instant. This
 packet brings replies to letters de-
 spatched from Hongkong on Oct. 19.

The S. S. Oceanic, with mails &c., from
 San Francisco to the 1st inst., left
 Yokohama for this port on 24th inst.,
 and may be expected here on or about
 the 31st inst.

The Pacific Mail Company's steamer City
 of Rio de Janeiro left San Francisco
 for Yokohama and Hongkong on the
 11th instant.

The Union Line steamer Telartos left Sai-
 gon on the 20th inst., and may be ex-
 pected here on or before the 26th inst.

The Austro-Hungarian Lloyd S. N. Co.'s
 steamer Pandora, from Trieste, left
 Singapore on the 18th instant, and may
 be expected here on or about the 26th
 instant.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Patroclus,
 from London, left Singapore on the
 21st inst., and may be expected here
 on or about the 26th inst.

The steamer Japan, from Calcutta, left
 Singapore on the 20th inst., and may
 be expected here on or about the 29th
 inst.

The Glen Line steamer Glenora left Singa-
 pore on the 22nd instant, and may be
 expected here on or about the 30th
 inst.

The Union Line steamer Westmeath left
 Singapore on the 25th instant, and may
 be expected here on or about the 2nd
 prox.

Ten delivery of the French Mail was begun
 at 11.20 yesterday morning.

Bishops Royce and Reynaud arrived here
 in the Amazon on the North on Satur-
 day evening. They are on their way home.

M. DEJARDIN, late French Consul at this
 port, accompanied by Mrs. Dejardin, ar-
 rived here yesterday in the Yangtze.

Two appointments is notified of Inspector of
 Machinery Henry Benbow to the Victor
 Emanuel, for services at Hongkong yard.

Messrs Russell & Co. inform us that the
 Union Line steamer Westmeath left Singa-
 pore for this port on the 25th inst., and
 may be expected to arrive on or about the
 2nd prox.

Vice-Admiral Hamilton, Commander-in-
 Chief on the China Station, is said to have
 made strong representations to the Admiralty
 respecting the depreciated value of the
 station officers and men serving on the China
 station are paid, the real value of the dollar
 being considerably below the value which
 the Admiralty continues to attach to it.

The Ocean Co.'s steamer Telemachus, Cap-
 tain Jones, which arrived here yesterday,
 reports as follows:—Had moderate winds and
 high sea for two days after leaving. After-
 wards, South of Sapa, had a typhoon and
 very high sea. Wind N. N. W. and back-
 ed round to West, S. W. and round to
 East and N. N. E. Had very strong mon-
 soon up to port. Arrived at Hongkong at
 10 a.m. on 25th inst.

We take the following from the Straits
 Times:—Messrs. Caird and Co., Greenock,
 have contracted to build and engine another
 steamer of 7,000 tons for the P. and O.
 Company. The new steamer will be a
 duplicate of the Britannia, at present being
 constructed by the same eminent shipbuild-
 ers. We understand Messrs. Harland and
 Wolff, Belfast, have secured another
 steamer of like dimensions for the P. and O.
 Company, which is to be named the Ocean.

The Norddeutscher Lloyd (says a home
 paper) is contemplating considerable al-
 terations in the running of its subsidised
 lines of steamers. These include the
 abandonment of the line between Trieste
 and Brindisi and Alexandria, in view of
 unfavourable pecuniary results therefrom.

The steamers running between Gibraltar
 and Port Said will call at Naples, and there
 embark the mail bags, formerly shipped at
 Brindisi.

Mr G. M. H. Playfair, late Acting British
 Vice-Consul at Shanghai, accompanied by
 Mrs. Playfair, arrived here in the Amazon
 from the North on Saturday evening. He
 goes home on leave of absence. The
 Mercury, in noting his departure, says:—
 During his stay amongst us he has won
 opinions, and his departure will not
 only be greatly regretted by his numerous
 friends, but will leave a gap not easily filled
 in the local Societies of which he was a pro-
 minent member.

A sad fatal accident happened in Tonkin
 a young man, Mr. Boy, who left Hanoi
 about a fortnight ago to form part of the
 personnel of the new Residence to be
 established among the tribes of Muangs.
 While his luggage was being embarked on
 a junk at Son-ay he took hold by the
 barrel of one of his guns that some one
 handed to him. The shot went off and the
 whole contents lodged in the stomach of the
 young man. Death was instantaneous. Mr.
 Boy was 22 years of age and only arrived
 from France in July last.

The British steamer Terios, from Saigon,
 reports:—Left that port on the 13th in-
 stant and experienced most a severe weather
 throughout the entire passage. The 26th
 was the only fair weather day. On the
 21st and 22nd, experienced a terrific gale
 backing from N. E. to W. S. W. with a ter-
 rific sea, washing a quantity of deck pas-
 senger's luggage, cargo and gear overboard.

The French have retaken possession of
 Mong-kai and Hai-nin, the pirates having
 retreated into Chinese territory. The de-
 sign of China, the French say, was to con-
 test the territory of Cape Fakuang, which
 the Chinese thought they had better get
 possession of before the delimitation of the
 frontier began. It is said that the chief
 of the Pirate band that captured Hai-nin
 offered the head of M. Haiko to the Chi-
 nese mandarin, Yung, Tao Tai, but that
 the latter refused it and that thereupon the
 head was exposed on the top of a pike at
 the entrance to Mong-kai. A large French
 force under the command of General Mon-
 sieur is now at Hai-koi, whither M. Rocher,
 Director of Customs, has gone.

A novel feature in the Christmas holidays
 at Shanghai was to be the ascent of a cap-
 tive balloon in the Grand Stand. Sub-
 scription lists are lying out at the Clubs
 and Hotels, and, it is said, it will be
 encouraged, Mr. Stoeck, the manager, will
 send up another balloon at the Chinese New
 Year and will himself sail aloft in it.

John William McCarthy, Esq. (Lecture
 Prize-man, Equity, December, 1885), of
 Gray's Inn, was called to the bar on the
 18th inst. Mr. McCarthy was formerly a
 member of H. M. C. Service, Japan,
 and subsequently held an important position
 under the Japanese Government. The L. &
 C. Express says he is likely to earn consid-
 erable distinction at his new calling, wherein
 it wishes him every success.

According to home papers, it was not easy
 to find a successor to M. Paul Bert. The
 post was successively declined by M. Rou-
 vier and General Weydemeyer. There was some
 idea of either transferring M. Constans from
 Peking to Tonkin or of converting the
 Ministry of the Colonies into a Foreign
 Office appointment, and giving it to a pro-
 fessional diplomatist. As we know now, it
 has been offered to and accepted by M.
 Bihourd.

A report has been going the rounds of the
 home Press to the effect that the new Chi-
 nese Minister, feeling in indifference to his
 duties, intends to return to Peking in the be-
 ginning of next year; and further, that the
 nephew of Li Hung Chang was likely to
 succeed him as Minister. The L. & C.
 Express says it is in a position to give the
 most unqualified denial to this statement.
 It is not a rumour, it is not a semblance of
 foundation in fact.

M. ROCHER, with his accustomed venom
 and faculty for speaking up of the dead as
 well as the living, has given utterance to the
 shriek of delight at the untimely demise
 of M. Paul Bert. He finishes by the ex-
 traordinary remark that M. Ferry should
 be compelled to accept the vacant position,
 and adds that if the climate has an equally
 fatal effect in his case the acquisition of
 Tonkin will not, after all, be such a failure
 as has been imagined.—L. & C. Express.

CHRISTMAS.
 Christmas was celebrated in Hongkong
 in the usual quiet, unobtrusive manner.
 The day in point of weather was as unlike
 the proverbial Christmas of the story books
 at home as one could well imagine. The
 cloudless sky with the gentle breeze tem-
 pering the heat of the sun reminded one
 more of the finest Autumn days in the Old
 Country. But though lacking in the ex-
 ternal drapery of the season there was no
 lack, even in far-off Hongkong, of the good
 cheer that always brightens the hearts
 gathered round the Yule log in England.

The principal European shops had put
 on a Christmas appearance two or three
 weeks before. There is no opportunity or
 scope here for the magnificent window dis-
 plays that give a grand festive look to the
 streets at home, but inside our principal
 shops and stores were to be found all the
 tokens of the great gift-giving season. A
 walk through the stores of Messrs. Lane,
 Crawford & Co., W. M. Powell & Co.,
 Kelly & Walsh, Chas. J. Gaupp & Co., or
 Mr. W. Brewer would show that we can
 gather here all that delights the appetite,
 the eye and the mind. To give an inven-
 tory of the articles would be impossible.
 A true idea of the display can only be had
 by making a personal visit to the shops.

The two large hotels in the Colony have
 been very prettily decked out. The archi-
 tectural beauty of the Hongkong Hotel is
 enhanced by wreaths of evergreen and
 bright flowers, which give quite a charming
 appearance to the entrance halls, bar and
 billiard rooms. The long corridor of the
 Victoria Hotel leading from Queen's Road
 to the Praya itself well to the decorative
 art, and with its wreaths of beautiful
 flowers running along the whole length and
 a collection of pretty caryatids in the
 centre, looked, especially when lit up from
 end to end with Japanese lanterns, quite an
 enchanting promenade.

The advent of Christmas was hailed in
 the usual manner at the new Roman Ca-
 thedral, the service this year be-
 ing improved by the addition of a string-
 band. The new Cathedral is not yet quite
 completed, so that all the space was not
 available for the worshippers. A very large
 congregation gathered about ten o'clock on
 Friday evening, and the throng was so great
 that more than 100 had to remain standing
 during the service and some were unable to
 obtain admission. A very pleasant service
 was also held on Christmas evening at the
 Berlin Foundling Hospital, superintended
 by Pastor F. E. W. Hartmann. The
 first part of the evening was occupied
 with a short choral service in the chapel
 in which the children in the House took
 part, the proceedings being partly in
 German and Chinese. After this re-

ligious service an adjournment was made
 to the school-room, where the children were
 entertained by a number of friends, the
 chief item in the entertainment being a
 large Christmas tree loaded with gifts for
 the little ones, who had thus a practical
 example given them of the peace and good-
 will they had been singing of in the chapel.

On Christmas Day the usual religious
 services took place in the Anglican Cathed-
 ral, which was decorated for the occasion.
 The decorations were not of an elaborate
 character, but they infused a certain
 amount of Christmas look into the building.

There was a large congregation present at
 the forenoon service, when the choir,
 mustered in strong force, sang the anthem
 "How beautiful are the Feet," and the
 Hallelujah Chorus from the Messiah.

The evening for the most part was de-
 voted to festivities and rejoicings. Bo-
 sides the numerous small parties that met
 to exchange greetings a few convivial gath-
 erings on a larger scale took place among the
 Military and Police. The Regiment, Artillery
 and Engineers were with each other in
 decking out their mess-rooms and celebrated
 the evening in the usual jovial manner. At
 the Central Police Station the European
 mess-room was very prettily ornamented
 with floral wreaths and shields and ap-
 propriate emblems along the wall. Among
 the mottoes were "Long Live our Noble
 Captain and His Lady" and a very sug-
 gestive one "Think of your head in the
 morning" an advice which we hope was
 kept in view as the evening advanced and
 the flowing bowl was handed round. The
 Water Police Station at Tsim Tse Tsai
 was also very appropriately embellished
 and quite a jovial party met there in the
 evening. At East and West Point and in
 the outlying stations decorations were
 made, and merry parties met and recalled
 the memories of home in a far-off land.

The Chinese community seemed to take
 little part in the rejoicings. They are doubt-
 less gathering up their strength and their
 cash for a grand outburst about a month
 hence. We were glad to observe, however,
 that a spark of interest seemed to have

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10. From Kowloon Island to North Point.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

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Vessel's Name.	Agent.	Captain.	Flag and Reg.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.		
Steamers.										
Acton	3	h	Novabcock	Dan.	str.	268	Dec. 25	Arnfield, Karberg & Co.	Marseilles, &c.	To-morrow
Amazon	5	c	Bonney	Reh.	str.	2124	Dec. 26	Messageries Maritimes	Sydney	30th inst.
Calcutta	4	c	Pearse	Brit.	str.	1103	Dec. 18	Russell & Co.	Yama & San Francisco	30th inst.
Canal	4	c	Dary	Brit.	str.	1040	Dec. 24	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha	K'loon Dock	
City of Sydney	5	c	Friele	Amer.	str.	3016	Dec. 23	P. M. S. S. Co.		
Daily	4	c	Watt	Brit.	str.	643	Nov. 13	Arnfield, Karberg & Co.		
Deutscher	3	h	Faithorne	Ger.	str.	1197	Dec. 27	Siemens & Co.		
Fern	5	c	Sbronsen	Ger.	str.	753	Dec. 18	Siemens & Co.		
Formosa	5	h	Harris	Ger.	str.	674	Dec. 26	Douglas Steamship Co.	Swatow, &c.	To-morrow
Gavia	3	h	Brichsen	Ger.	str.	340	Dec. 6	Siemens & Co.	Chefoo	
Gilliland	3	c	Potts	Brit.	str.	1035	Dec. 8	Siemens & Co.		
Gryphon	3	c	Thomas	Brit.	str.	1122	Dec. 27	Siemens & Co.	K'loon Dock	To-morrow
Hagahow	3	h	Ashton	Brit.	str.	1122	Dec. 26	Douglas Steamship Co.	Coast Ports	
Iphigenia	5	c	Robinson	Brit.	str.	1086	Dec. 6	Butterfield & Swire		
Kong Beng	3	c	Volkmann	Ger.	str.	1039	Dec. 23	Siemens & Co.	Hamburg	To-day
Mario	4	c	J. Phillips	Brit.	str.	802	Dec. 23	Yuen Fat Hong	Hiow, &c.	To-morrow
Moskaleh	5	c	Hohlmann	Ger.	str.	704	Dec. 24	Wolter & Co.	Hiow	To-morrow
Pandora	5	c	Renois	Fch.	str.	1273	Dec. 26	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama & Kobe	To-morrow
Partridge	5	c	Muller	Ger.	str.	782	Dec. 27	Siemens & Co.		
Pina Ochia Ochia Kiao	5	c	Peter	A-Hun	str.	1791	Dec. 27	A-Hungarian Lloyd S. N. Co.		
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Prism	5	c	Williams	Brit.	str.	886	Dec. 3	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
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Signal	3	c	Butler	Brit.	str.	1430	Dec. 20	Butterfield & Swire		
Soehow	3	c	Koch	Ger.	str.	313	Dec. 23	Siemens & Co.		
Stuttin	3	c	Homery	Fch.	str.	3822	Nov. 27	Messageries Maritimes	Coast Dock	
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	5	c	Arthur	Brit.	str.	1109	Dec. 24	Butterfield & Swire		
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Donald Ems	3	c	McKee	Br. bctine.		294	Nov.	30	Gonsalves & Co.		
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Hattie N. Bangs	3	c	Bangs	Am. bctine.		542	Nov.	25	Gonsalves & Co.		
Hayden Brown	5	h	Havemur	Amer.	bce.	812	Oct.	7	Order		
Hilda	3	c	Olin	Brit.	sch.	306	Dec.	4	Captain		
Hydra	3	c	Bings	Ger.	bce.	768	Nov.	25	Gonsalves & Co.	Honolulu	K'Leon Do
Ingliside	3	h	Hayes	Brit.	bce.	996	Dec.	16	Master		
John C. Potter	3	h	Curtis	Amer.	sh.	1182	Dec.	7	Order		
John D. Brewer	8	h	Gosselyn	Amer.	bce.	926	Dec.	12	Russell & Co.		
John Trahey	5	c	Joyan	Brit.	sh.	1747	Sept.	25	Melchers & Co.	San Francisco	
Luna Doane	3	c	Lyon	Brit.	bce.	397	Dec.	18	Wieler & Co.		
Oregon	3	c	Miranda	Amer.	sh.	1830	Dec.	25	Order		
Orion	3	c	Roder	Ger.	bce.	641	Nov.	21	Wieler & Co.		
Papa M.	3	c	Henne	Ger.	bce.	748	Sept.	24	Carlowitz & Co.	Hamburg, &c	
Ralph M. Hayward	5	c	Gaster	Am. bqt ne.		574	Oct.	4	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Santa Filomena	3	c	Menfiguron	Span.	sch.	448	Dec.	17	Chinese		
Sarah Hignett	5	c	Morgan	Amer.	eh.	1567	Sept.	24	Edward Schellhass & Co.		
Sin Kolos	5	c	Brit.	Ger.	bce.	542	Dec.	5	Chinese		
State of Maine	3	c	Nichols	Amer.	sh.	1467	Oct.	23	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Thorold Rager	5	c	Meyur	Ger.	sh.	1670	Nov.	14	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	London	
Titan	8	h	Allen	Amer.	sh.	1176	Dec.	19	W. Leggo		
Velocity	4	c	Martin	Brit.	bce.	442	Dec.	2	Gonsalves & Co.	Honolulu	
Venus	3	c	Castal	Span.	bce.	962	Nov.	16	Hermendes & Co.		
Walter Siegfried	3	c	Schell	Brit.	bce.	354	Dec.	18	Chinese		
Walter M. Mingo	5	h	Wright	Brit.	bctine.	360	April	14	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		Laid up
William McGilvery	3	c	Dunlar	Amer.	sh.	1210	Oct.	25	Adamson, Bell & Co.		